

I - Call to Order

PC Members attending- Dennis Casey, Chair, Hugh Johnson, Jeff Keeney, and Dan Harris

Others present- Brandy Saxton and Susan Jefferies (Selectboard)

7:00 PM –Dennis called the PC meeting to order. Hugh took minutes.

II- Adjustments/Minutes

8/17/2017 and 9/7/2017 minute’s review- Quorum not present. Minute approval postponed to next meeting.

III- Visitors Business and Adjustments to agenda

Susan Jefferies- acknowledged that ZA Dave Wetmore has resigned effective 10/5. Susan spoke about the process to hire a new ZA. Susan suggested that it may be worth reaching out to New Haven about creating a shared full time position between the two Towns. PC asked whether the new Town Administrative Assistant would consider taking PC and DRB minutes as well.

Susan- also spoke of the GMP easement being discussed across the Pit to Thatcher Hurd’s land and sugarbush. The Land Trust would be involved as the easements would limit the use of the land on either side of the line.

IV- PC Business

Energy Planning Forum/workshop- October 5th.

Brandy- presented an outline she has developed for Town Plan Energy Workshop.

Jeff shared w/ Brandy what he and the Energy Working Group has calculated to be the required acres of solar to meet Starksboro’s energy portion of the 90% by 2050 State Goal.

Brandy- shared an outline of the energy part of the Town Plan.

General Discussion- what is a realistic and practical renewable power generation goal for Starksboro given the lack of power infrastructure. Without significant power infrastructure improvements it will be very difficult for Starksboro to meet the generation goal. Related to transportation, Starksboro has limited options to offset transportation use.

Continued review of Community Plan section of Town Plan from 8//3/2017-
PC to continue next meeting beginning with Land Use and Development

ZA replacement- Denny- highlighted Dave duties which include PC and DRB clerk, facilitate DRB reviews and drafts findings and decisions, and in general assists PC and DRB with workloads.

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V- Other

Mail/Correspondence- None

VI- Adjournment

Jeff moved to adjourn at 9:15 PM, Hugh 2nds. Motion to adjourn approved, 4- yes, 0-no.

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